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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-14 (Canceled).

15. (Currently amended): An entertainment system
comprising:

an entertainment apparatus having a control unit for
executing various programs;

at least one input device for inputting a manual control
request of a user to said entertainment apparatus;

a monitor for displaying an image outputted from said
entertainment apparatus; and

~~a program executable by said control unit, said program
comprising:~~

first means for extracting data successively inputted by a
user by operating said input device and displaying a pattern
image based on said extracted data;

second means for displaying an image other than said
pattern image from an area where said pattern image is
displayed;

third means for determining whether said pattern image
based on said data extracted by said first means satisfies a
predetermined judging criterion or not;

fourth means for maintaining display of said image
displayed by said second means if said third means determines
that said pattern image satisfies said predetermined judging
criterion; and

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fifth means for changing said image displayed by said second means to another image and displaying said another image if said third means determines that said pattern image does not satisfy said predetermined judging criterion

~~means for selecting a symbolic image from a plurality of symbolic images available for a scene currently displayed on the monitor based on an input geometric shape indicated by an input pattern image drawn according to data inputted by the user with said input device; and~~

~~means for displaying said selected symbolic image on said monitor.~~

Claims 16-18 (Canceled).

19. (Currently amended): An entertainment system according to claim ~~18~~15, wherein ~~said means for determining a form of said selected symbolic image comprises:~~ third means for determining accuracy of said input geometric shape based on a judging criteria used by said means for judging an input geometric shape whether said pattern image displayed by said first means satisfies said predetermined judging criterion or not by calculating the number of deviations from an allowable range of said judging criteria~~criterion; and~~
~~means for modifying a form of said selected symbolic image displayed on said monitor based on accuracy of said input geometric shape.~~

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Claims 20-22 (Canceled).

23. (Currently amended): An entertainment system according to claim 15, further comprising sixth means for outputting predetermined music,

wherein said fifth means ~~displaying~~ displays an animation of said ~~symbolic~~ image displayed by said second means on said monitor such that said ~~symbolic~~ image moves arbitrarily in accordance with ~~background~~ said predetermined music outputted by said sixth means.

24. (Currently amended): An entertainment system according to claim 23, wherein ~~further comprising~~ said sixth means for ~~setting~~ outputs sounds such that the sounds are outputted synchronously with the movement of said ~~symbolic~~ image.

25. (Currently amended): An entertainment system according to claim 24, wherein said sixth means ~~for setting~~ sounds ~~sets~~ changes tones of sounds based on at least the size of said ~~symbolic~~ image displayed ~~on said monitor~~ by said second means.

26. (Currently amended): An entertainment system according to claim 24, wherein said sixth means ~~for setting~~ sounds ~~sets~~ changes pitches of sounds based on at least the position of

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said ~~symbolic~~ image displayed ~~on said monitor by said second~~
means.

27. (Currently amended): An entertainment system according to claim 15, ~~further comprising~~ wherein said first means for setting displays waves of a basic image displayed on said monitor according to said input geometric shape pattern image such that said ~~basic image pattern image~~ waves arbitrarily.

28. (Currently amended): An entertainment apparatus connectable to an input device for inputting a manual control request of a user to said entertainment apparatus and connectable to a monitor for displaying an image outputted from said entertainment apparatus, wherein said entertainment apparatus comprises:

first means for extracting data successively inputted by a user by operating said input device and displaying a pattern image based on said extracted data;

second means for displaying an image other than said pattern image from an area where said pattern image is displayed;

third means for determining whether said pattern image based on said data extracted by said first means satisfies a predetermined judging criterion or not;

fourth means for maintaining display of said image displayed by said second means if said third means determines

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that said pattern image satisfies said predetermined judging criterion; and

fifth means for changing said image displayed by said second means to another image and displaying said another image if said third means determines that said pattern image does not satisfy said predetermined judging criterion

~~means for selecting a symbolic image from a plurality of symbolic images available for a scene currently displayed on the monitor based on an input geometric shape indicated by an input pattern image drawn according to data inputted by the user with said input device; and~~

~~means for displaying said selected symbolic image on said monitor.~~

29. (Currently amended): An image displaying method used for an entertainment system including an entertainment apparatus having a control unit for executing various programs, at least one input device for inputting a manual control request of a user to said entertainment apparatus, and a monitor for displaying an image outputted from said entertainment apparatus, said image displaying method comprising the steps of:

first step of extracting data successively inputted by a user by operating said input device and displaying a pattern image based on said extracted data;

second step of displaying an image other than said pattern image from an area where said pattern image is displayed;

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third step of determining whether said pattern image based on said data extracted in said first step satisfies a predetermined judging criterion or not;

fourth step of maintaining display of said image displayed in said second step if in said third step, it is determined that said pattern image satisfies said predetermined judging criterion; and

fifth step of changing said image displayed in said second step to another image and displaying said another image if in said third step, it is determined that said pattern image does not satisfy said predetermined judging criterion

~~selecting a symbolic image from a plurality of symbolic images available for a scene currently displayed on the monitor based on an input geometric shape indicated by an input pattern image drawn according to data inputted by the user; and~~

~~displaying said selected symbolic image on said monitor.~~